

Round One For Hughes

Both Republicans and Democrats are claiming to see national political advantage in the outcome of the Maine election—and even the Prohibitionists are getting in on the glory by attributing to his advocacy of prohibition. Secretary of the navy Daniels since the election has contended that a Republican plurality of less than 25,000 means a Democratic victory, forgetting that on the day before the election Democratic leaders were claiming Maine by 3000 votes.

For the Republicans, senator-elect Hale has informed Charles E. Hughes, Republican candidate for president, that the victory can be considered an endorsement of Mr. Hughes's candidacy, inasmuch as the campaign was waged on national and not state issues.

The result of the election bore out the predictions of Republican leaders, who prophesied that party would carry the state by 12,000 plurality. The actual figures exceeded the estimate by more than 1000 votes.

It is possible, as has been demonstrated since the election, for any party to lay claim to advantage in the election, with some color of plausibility, but it is not possible to disguise the fact that the Republicans swept the state, winning by a larger margin than they had hoped.

The victory in Maine is bound to aid the Republican campaign in other states for the same reason that a victory on one part of a battle front stiffens the rest of the line, heartening the combatants to fight the more strongly, and breaking down, even slightly, the morale of the enemy.

The Maine election can be counted on, too, to aid in the fusion of Progressives with Republicans in other states, for in Maine the Progressives voted the Republican ticket almost solidly. The Democrats in Maine, as in other states, had been angling for Democratic votes, but in Maine they failed to get them. The example may be of far reaching effect throughout the United States. In many states the Progressives have been holding a little aloof from the Republicans. A wholesale flocking to the standard of Hughes and Fairbanks may occur as the campaign progresses.

Round one of this 48 round bout goes to Mr. Hughes.

Japan, China's Adviser

China will yield, of course, to the latest Japanese demands, that Japanese officers be appointed instructors of Chinese troops and that Japanese police be stationed in Chinese towns, where there are large Japanese populations. There is nothing for China to do but yield. So far as China is concerned, nothing but the protection of other powers could save China from any fate Japan might decree.

The course of Japan is quite obvious. It is to be supposed that Japanese military advisers, stationed in the principal garrisons of China, would have completely accurate information at all times of China's strength in men, munitions and equipment, and of its military weaknesses in whatever details.

It is possible, too, that Japanese advisers might so manipulate the affairs of the Chinese army as to prevent it ever from attaining such proportions as to menace Japanese domination. Better for Japan to regulate the military growth of China from the inside than for the instructors of another nation to be employed. The Chinese are brave. All they need is organization, training, equipment and money. Should organization and training be furnished by the officers of another nation, Japan might conceivably in a few years find itself in peril.

Perhaps Japan is right in contending its demands do not infringe upon the sovereignty of China. Assuredly they do not in a territorial sense. Nevertheless, they are a tightening of the grasp of Nippon, and the Yellow Spectre of the East rises more menacingly.

The British, Pa. man who says he has 60 cousins in the British army, can never be sure of the exact number, at least without consulting the latest casualty lists.

In case anyone is inclined to criticize Mr. Wilson for appointing a southern farmer as director of the mint, it should be remembered a southern farmer should be an expert on mint.

A headline says "Women get men's wages." They certainly do, and usually before Monday morning.

The Boom Of Columbus

If Pancho Villa knew what had happened to Columbus, New Mexico, since his raid, he would doubtless think that of the American more incomprehensible than ever. The town which he tried to destroy, with very fair results, is rebuilt and extended in every direction, and its business and population have been many times multiplied.

In real estate activity it is almost a rival of El Paso. One realty firm prides itself on selling lots every day. Another has sold more than 50 in the past 30 days. A third, which undertook to sell a subdivision, has sold itself out of property, while a fourth has opened up a new tract and is selling that. Houses to rent are at a premium, hard to get and high in price. Business is at flood tide. These are great days for Columbus.

Perhaps, with a good, running start, Columbus will keep right on growing. Again, perhaps, when the troops are withdrawn, the town will lapse to about where it was before the Villa raid. At any rate, Columbus will long remember the big days of 1916 and admit that Villa "started something."

The Mexican diplomat, Dr. Heller, had the kind of a time his name suggests in getting from Mexico to Switzerland. British agents couldn't stomach that Teutonic name. If a true diplomat, Dr. Heller, should have been tactful enough to leave his name in Mexico and take a Spanish name to Europe.

The new ambassador to Turkey, Abram Elkus, "is expected to bind Turkey and America," according to a Vienna message. That may be all right, but it seems pretty tough on America.

A waiter at the dining hall of the Arizona normal school at Tempe lost four fingers when he placed them too close to a meat grinder. "It is safe to predict no hash will be eaten in that dining hall for some months."

A Pennsylvania guardman says Mount Franklin fairly makes him homesick—the big hill reminds him of the slag dump at Scranton.

Cash Value Of An Education

The value of an education has been estimated at \$22,000, and the estimate is reached in this way:

It has been found that the average man, with a grade school and high school education earns \$1000 a year and that he averages 40 years at work, which makes his total income \$40,000.

The man without education, generally a day laborer, has been found in the same 40 years to earn \$18,000. The difference is \$22,000.

The figures are rather impressive as evidencing the worth whiteness of securing an education, but there is even more than \$22,000 worth of difference between the man of some education and the average day laborer. The day laborer, by which is meant, of course, the unskilled manual laborer, is apt to earn less, rather than more, in the latter years of his work period than the figures indicate. On the other hand, few men of education, fair health and no more than the usual reverses, fail to increase their incomes as the years pass. They do not always remain in the \$1000 a year class. The average educated man, by the time his work period is half over, should be earning at least twice \$1000 a year. The exceptional skilled man will be earning many times that figure, but the exceptional unskilled man will do well to reach the income of the average skilled man. When he does so, he has left the unskilled class.

It may then be assumed that the average educated man works 20 years at \$1000 and 20 years at \$2000 for a total of \$60,000. That would make the value of his education \$42,000, the difference between his income and that of his uneducated fellow laborer.

This juggling with figures concerning the incomes of the masses of men, however interesting, is nevertheless not so very useful, even for statistical purposes, and certainly not for individual application. It merely indicates, in a dollars and cents way, that education pays. What education will be worth to John Smith and Tom Brown depends on their individual attainments, on their character, health, on their ability to see their opportunities and their willingness to make use of them.

Short Snatches From Everywhere

If Greece does not smoke up she may remain neutral until there is not any Greece left.—Galveston News.

An obvious comment is a radish 1/4 inches in circumference is that it is of no use whatever.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

No one ever knows how many cats are in a village until it has been effectively bombarded.—Washington Post.

President Wilson is not to be the only reigning poet—the sultan of Turkey has broken into verse.—San Francisco Chronicle.

No man can discuss the tariff intelligently enough to hold his wife's undivided attention when she crops a stitch.—Ohio State Journal.

"The nippers are gripping," says Lloyd George, but even if they have at last got hold of the net will not be an easy one to crack.—Springfield Republican.

Another proof that we are enlarging our horizon as a free and independent nation is the survival of the straw hat after September 1.—Green Bay (Wis.) Gazette.

If the price of paper continues to rise the bill collector will find himself out of a job. There will be nothing to write the accounts on.—Hot Springs (Ark.) Sentinel.

It is useless for any presidential candidate to take up the issue of the tariff until he has been up the issue of the tariff at the ball games showing proper enthusiasm and familiarity.—Janesville (Wis.) Gazette.

Now a Chicago professor claims that music can be tasted. Possibly somebody will assert that the music of the average church choir suggests an acquired taste.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Mr. and Mrs. Hughes, late for breakfast at a Colorado resort hotel, were forced to plead for food. This may make you feel easier, if you have ever had the same experience.—Boston Globe.

The Rev. T. C. Collins, Church of England army chaplain, speaking at Chestnut, advocated smoking at religious services, saying that although he was not a high churchman, he believed in incense, even if it only rose from the shag at 45 cents an ounce.—London Telegraph.

Nothing slow about Denmark. In exchange for her bankrupt islands she wants not just \$25,000,000 from Uncle Sam but also his help in regaining Schleswig when the war settlement comes. What does she offer us the islands free and the dollars to boot? The recovery of the lost duchies would be cheap at the price.—New York Sun.

We Sigh For "Hot Wave" When Winter Comes Is Never Appreciated Until The Cold Is Here

by HOWARD L. RANN

THE hot wave is a successful attempt on the part of nature to reproduce the pangs of purgatory in this life.

Sometimes it seems as if we do not half appreciate what nature is doing for us day by day. When winter sets in and nature favors us with a cold, bracing atmosphere and frost-bitten earlobes, we sigh for summer, when people can sit out on the lawn and munch with the embattled mosquito and feel with more better in the car-buretor. Then when summer really comes and brings a hot air furnace with it, we try to run away from it by going to the lakes and living on canned goods which can be tasted for several weeks after arriving home.

Most people believe that the hot wave is caused by the sun drawing close to the earth and breathing in its face with passionate emphasis. This is a mistake, however. The sun is not any closer than usual, but it works under higher pressure and is able to get better aim. When a hot wave has attained a speed of about 12 knots, it blows the corn belt fire lying down and hits the corn belt four times out of five.



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Roundabout Town

The Growth of El Paso In 14 Years; Reminiscences About "Old El Paso"

Only 14 Years Ago, Buses Stalled in the Streets, Mud Splashed Over the Business House Windows and There Were No Automobiles

By G. A. MARTIN.

FOURTEEN years ago this morning I climbed off the G. H. & S. A. train at the Stanton street depot, pushed a bicycle across the plaza, to the old Mills building, hung up my hat in a little cubby hole about 2312 feet square and set down and began to write a story about meeting Roy Bean, "the law west of the Pecos," the night before at Llaneta. I had come to El Paso to make my home and I have never been sorry of it. There is little to interest the reader in this, but a comparison of El Paso at that time with the El Paso of today, is, I believe, worth while as indicating the growth of this city we all have so much in.

The Mills building was two stories then, of red, cream brick. The Sheldon was the same building that it is now, except that it did not have the top story—that was put on a short time after I came. Where the White House now stands, was another two story red brick building. Potter & White Hotel stood in the corner. Allen Berg occupied a place where the McCoy Hotel today is now located.

The present City National bank has replaced what was another two story ugly old brick structure on the day I arrived here. The telephone exchange was in the second story and when you wanted a number you had to turn a crank and ring a bell to get central—if you could. Less than 500 people had telephones.

Where the Roberts-Banner building now stands was a one story adobe in which Mrs. Taylor ran a restaurant. She served good meals and many of the leading people ate there. "Hard Times" Taylor, her husband, had a standing joke about people eating at the Sheldon, then coming down and sitting on the wooden benches in front of his place and trying to make people think he had sold with his wife. The Grand hotel was half the size it is now the day I arrived, but work was in progress enlarging it at that time. The Angels was under way. The present Crawford theater was a matineum with a roof garden and dance hall on top.

An adobe building occupied by a fruit stand, one story in height, occupied the site of the present Zeiger hotel. The present home of the First National bank was a two story red brick structure—another of those cheap looking things known as the Loden building. In it was the old Loden National bank. Small shops occupied principally by saloons and barber shops occupied the present site of the Paso del Norte hotel and West San Antonio street did not exist at that time; it had not been cut through El Paso street to the union depot. Every railroad had its own depot and every passenger had a time getting to town in rainy weather.

I recall visiting El Paso in July to "look it over" before deciding whether to cut loose from a job on the San Antonio Light or not to "take chances on El Paso," and I arrived on the Texas & Pacific and got off in the mud down—here the present T. & P. freight depot now is. The bus horses stalled in the mud in the way of the depot and it took more than an hour to reach the Sheldon. When we got there, we found considerable commotion as a result of the heavy

flood washing water and mud down to the basement of the Sheldon from Oregon street and inundating Dick Newton's bar, which occupied the place the Sheldon cafe now occupies. As we came up the streets, the horses were in mud knee deep in places and it splattered everywhere. I recall that next day as I walked down San Antonio street, I could hardly see into some of the windows of business houses as a result of the mud splattered over them. There was not an automobile in El Paso at that time and no need for one, for they could not have run.

Some of the streets had been covered with gravel, but the dirt would wash down on top of this gravel from the hills, and when it rained it was almost impossible to get about the city. And that was only 14 years ago, remember. The popular store of today was where it is now—only it was "The Fair" in those days, but A. Schwartz was at its head then as now. The White House, which occupied the corner of the corner of San Antonio and Oregon streets and Felix Brunschwitz was then, as now, head of the company. The Cobbett boys were young fellows learning the business from their uncle. The present business from their uncle. The present business from their uncle. The present business from their uncle.

Trinity Methodist church stood at the time I arrived here, at the southwest corner of Texas and Stanton, where the Sun drug store is now doing business; St. Clement's, a green frame building, occupied the present site of the Nations store on Mesa; the First Christian church occupied a site where the "We Can Fix It" shop now fixes things, and the First Baptist church stood up through some cottonwoods where the Tolles club is now doing business.

One story adobe shops occupied the present site of the Commercial National bank. Many other changes could be noted, but these are a few that indicate what has happened in El Paso in the brief space of 14 years.

To my mind, one of the best examples of the growth of El Paso is reflected in contrasting the staff of The Herald editorial department today and the day I arrived. Shortly after 7 o'clock the morning I hung up my hat for the first time. H. D. Slater arrived at the editorial department, and after outlining my duties to me, went to work. I got through early that night—about 12 o'clock—but I left him in the office, still working, but he was there next morning at 7:30. I must say for the first time today and doesn't know this is going in the paper, that he does not keep such regular or lengthy hours these days. The staff in 1914 consisted of Mr. Slater, myself and two reporters, K. P. Hansen and L. O. Taylor. Mrs. W. D. Howe contributed society items

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Abe Martin



Tell Binkley he's traded for a run-around as it cost too much for sody am. I'll run his tour in car. Next I'll 'tain' t' be minutes of a previous meetin' their haint nothin' as dull as bein' neutral.

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MORE Truth Than Poetry

BY JAMES J. MONTAGUE.

Make It Sitty.

England has raised the fighting age limit to 45, but by the time she catches the slackers they'll all be over age, at that.

Times Have Changed.

"England Takes Man From American Vessel."—Headline. That was what started the war of 1812, but we had another administration in those days.

Climbing on the Pedestal.

Also, one could not help but note that Mr. Wilson felt that in setting himself apart from the people whose great problems he was solving in brooding isolation, Abraham Lincoln had nothing on him.

The Heroes' Part.

The best service the Giants can perform will be to get beaten often enough for the Brooklyn to keep the pennant in Greater New York.

An Eye to the Main Chance.

It is not surprising that Greece has the Pyrrhic dances still. Dancing pays a lot better than phalanxizing.

Oh That Could Be Expected.

After reading Mr. Wilson's Lincoln memorial speech, we are impressed with the fact that he approved of Mr. Lincoln as far as Virginia gentlemen could approve of a man born in a Kentucky log cabin.

Looking Ahead.

Hindenburg evidently counts on winning the pennant next year if he doesn't this year. He's now warming up to new generals to take the places of the 12 he is preparing to send to the bench.

Compulsory Education Good But Difficult El Paso Has Problem In Mexican Children

"THE compulsory education law is an excellent thing if the various cities are provided with sufficient buildings in which to school the children," said S. J. Presidential. "But take the case of El Paso for instance, where there are so many Mexicans coming and going, and it is a practical impossibility to round up the numerous boys and girls and send them to school forcibly. Some leave the city while others will refuse downright to send their children to school. It would take more than one trust officer to take care of this matter, and, for one, I am certain that it would be one of the biggest jobs ever attempted to compel the large number of Mexican children to attend school."

"Mexicans and El Paso are much like Douglas, Ariz., and Agua Prieta, Sonora, although I believe the natives are a trifle more friendly in the two latter cities," said E. L. Thompson. "I have lived in Douglas for some years and have experienced no trouble with the Mexicans from across the border. They do not seem to be as troublesome as some that come up from Mexico. Of course there is only a dividing line between Douglas and Agua Prieta, instead of the river separating the Pecos City and Juarez, and that may make a big difference in the feeling."

"Few people, even in Texas, know the reason for the colon in Jeff. Mc-

"Big Men Make Big Cities," Says Educator Of El Paso

"Big men make big cities. Our compliments to the men who are making El Paso."

This sentiment is conveyed in a letter to secretary Arthur Hooker, of the irrigation congress, acknowledging an invitation to attend the meeting written by F. H. Sykes, president of the Connecticut College for Women at New London, Conn.

Mr. Hooker also received a letter Friday from Edmund Platt, a New York congressman, announcing his intention to appoint a number of delegates to the irrigation congress.